# CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE 2019 4:00 P.M. MONDAY, MAY 20, 2019 MINUTES

## CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS 9101 BONITA BEACH ROAD BONITA SPRINGS, FL 34135 MEETING WILL BE TELEVISED

### 1. Call to Order by Chairman Jacke McCurdy

Chairwoman Jacke McCurdy called the meeting to order at 4:07 P.M.

### 2. Roll Call

Chairwoman Jacke McCurdy and all Committee Members were present except Committee Member Chris Corrie was absent. Alternate Committee Member Russ Winn was present.

Chairwoman Jacke McCurdy announced the resignation of Robert Donaldson from the Committee due to other commitments in his professional role.

Arleen Hunter, City Manager was absent. Assistant City Manager, Matthew Feeney was present in her absence. Derek Rooney, City Attorney was present.

### 3. Approval of minutes of April 8, 2019 Committee Meeting

Committee Member Alan Horowitz motioned approval of the Minutes; Committee Member Jesse Purdon seconded: and the motion carried unanimously.

#### 4. City Attorney to Discuss Recommendations and DRAFT City Charter

<u>4:08:46 PM</u> Derek Rooney, City Attorney provided an update to Committee after meeting with staff. Derek Rooney expressed to the Committee a concern that not enough progress has been done to address the language and more discussions have been regarding policy issues. Derek Rooney is recommending that the Committee is provided a complete mark-up of the current Charter along with a markup version of what has been approved as well as proposing language on the sections that have had discussions thus far.

Chairwoman Jacke McCurdy and Committee Members are unanimous on Derek Rooney's proposal to have this done.

## 5. Discuss date for Joint City Council

<u>4:13:11 PM</u> Matthew Feeney, Assistant City Manager spoke in Arleen Hunter's absence regarding scheduling timing of the meetings and public hearings.

Meg Weiss, Director of Administration, suggested the Committee provide in an email to her their available schedule from June through September to look at options.

## 6. Review Items to Discuss at Joint City Council Meeting

<u>4:22:17 PM</u> Derek Rooney clarified specific items that have moved into the column to add to the Joint City Meeting. Charter Review Committee continued discussions on open items.

<u>4:39:26 PM</u> Committee Member John Jenkins discussed compensation for City Council members, Section 19. Committee Member Jenkins suggested removal of COLA when employees receive their increase. His recommendation is to discuss this topic with City Council. Derek Rooney and Committee Member John Jenkins will work together to develop language for Section 19.

Committee Member John Jenkins motioned to modify 'Cost of Living' (COLA) language and recommend to add Section 19 to the discussion items to City Council Joint Meeting agenda. Committee Member Jesse Purdon seconded and passed unanimously.

<u>4:48:33 PM</u> Committee Member Barbara Craig opened discussion on the strict limitations and all land use issues stated in the Charter.

Committee Member Omer Dror made a motion to scratch the strict limitations and all land use issues from continued discussions and entirely remove it from the Charter. Committee Member Alan Horowitz seconded: and the motion carried unanimously.

4:58:03 PM Committee Member John Jenkins opened discussion on Section 57.

Committee Member John Jenkins motioned to strike from further consideration; Committee Member Omer Dror seconded: and the motion carried unanimously.

#### 7. Public Comments: None

8. Next meeting: June 10, 2019 at 4:00 P.M.

### 9. Adjournment

There being no further items to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Meg Weiss Director of Administration Services

APPROVED: CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 2 Jacke McCurdy, Chairwoman

Debbie Filipek, City Clerk